IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Appln. of: Peter J. Ulintz

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For: AXIALLY ADJUSTABLE STEERING

COLUMN ASSEMBLY WITH FLEXIBLE BEARING SLEEVE

Attorney Docket No: 708484US1

AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING R.C.E. UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114

MS RCE Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the final Office action mailed 9/21/2009 (the shortened statutory period for which having been duly extended to 03/22/2010 under 37 C.F.R. §§1.136(a) and 1.7(a)), Applicant respectfully submits this paper under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 comprising the following parts:

- I. Amendments to the Specification, beginning on page 2;
- II. Listing of Claims, beginning on page 5; and
- III. Remarks, beginning on page ~.